

# KENTUCKY ANNUAL HOSPICE SERVICES REPORT

## INTRODUCTION

The Kentucky Department for Public Health announces the release of the 2000 Kentucky Annual Hospice Report. The Health Policy Development Branch, Division of Epidemiology and Health Planning, is responsible for the hospice utilization data collection and reporting set forth in 902 KAR 20:008, revised February 10, 1987. This report is the most recent official hospice data published by the Cabinet for Health Services.

The report covers the period from January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000 for all Kentucky hospice programs. In addition, the 2000 Kentucky Annual Hospice Report highlights state hospice services and populations between the years of 1995-2000. The first edition of the annual report was in 1995.

The report contains four sections:

- **Section I:** Contains hospice census data by Area Development District (ADD), county and service type.
- **Section II:** Contains utilization of staff data by Area Development District (ADD), and county.
- **Section III:** Primary Diagnosis of Hospice Patients which provides a state summary of diagnosis data.
- **Section IV:** Primary Diagnosis of Hospice Patients listed by program name, counties served and age cohorts. Counties served by the program are also listed.

**2000 Hospice Report Summary:** There were 10,782 Kentucky hospice patients served in 2000. Kentucky hospices admitted 9,106 patients. Since 1995, the overall trend of hospice referrals, admissions, and patients served has steadily increased. Also, 11,581 patients were referred to hospice services and were admitted at a rate of 78 admissions per 100 referrals. Kentucky hospices have served a total of 47,231 patients between 1995 and 2000.

In 2000, hospitals were responsible for 40% (4,537) of all referrals. Physicians accounted for 35% of all hospice referrals. This trend has remained consistent since 1995.

Since 1995, the most reported malignant diagnosis for Kentucky hospice patients is respiratory/intrathoracic cancer, with heart disease being the most reported non-malignant condition.

There were 364,783 total visits in 2000. The majority of visits were RN/LPN (148,226) and Aide/Home Maker (121,287) visits.

**Other Notes:**

To ensure data accuracy, this office is in the process of evaluating certain data collection and data analysis methodologies. The 2000 Kentucky Annual Hospice Report does not contain data regarding length of stay or comparative referral source information.

The Kentucky Department for Public Health is proud to provide the online version Kentucky Annual Hospice Reports. We hope you will find the information contained in our reports to be informative and easy to navigate. The 2000 report will also be available on-line in the near future. The web address is: <http://publichealth.state.ky.us/data-warehouse.htm>

Please feel free to contact our office with your questions, concerns, or for further information.

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**SECTION I**

**CENSUS DATA, COUNTY,  
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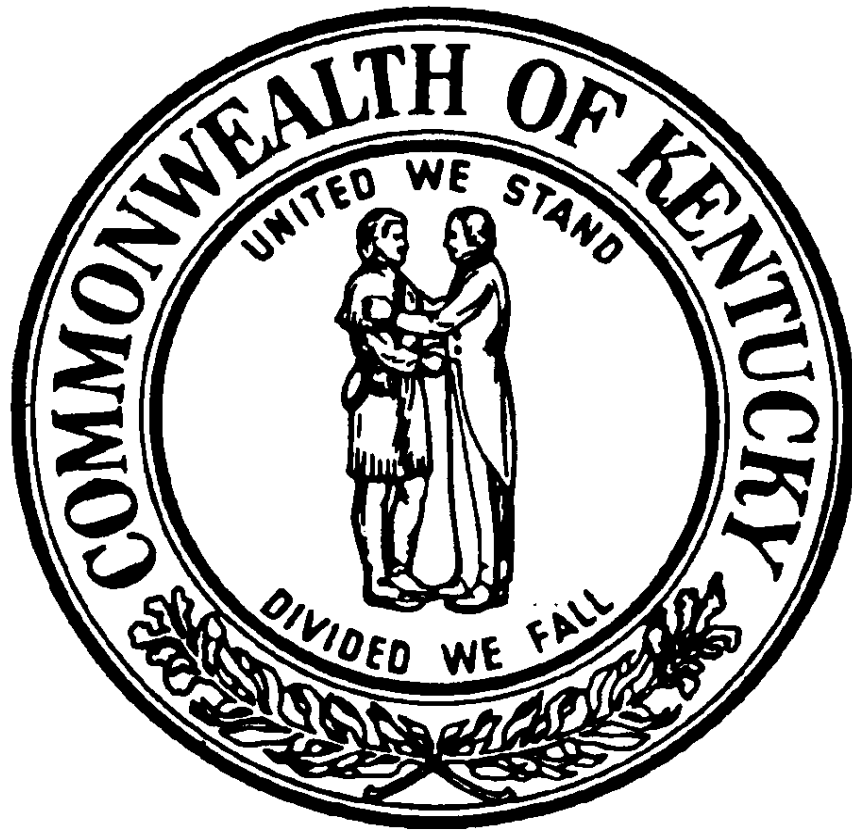
## **SECTION II**

### **STAFF UTILIZATION**



## **SECTION III**

### **PRIMARY DIAGNOSIS OF HOSPICE PATIENTS**



**SECTION IV  
PRIMARY  
DIAGNOSES OF  
PATIENTS BY  
PROGRAM**